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APPLICANTS: Amir Khan et al
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RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR ELECTION OF SPECIES

This Reply is in response to the Office Action mailed August 3, 2005 in the above-captioned application. A response was due on or before September 3, 2005. With a one-month extension, the response is due on or before October 3, 2005. A petition and appropriate fee for the extension accompanies this response.

I. The Election Requirement

In the Office Action, the Examiner has required restriction to a single disclosed species under 35 U.S.C. § 121 as follows:

Group
Polymeric Binder

Polymeric Carrier

Species
A. Thermoplastic Polymer
B. Thermoplastic Rubber
C. Water
D. Hydrocarbon Solvent
E. Acrylic Polymer

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F. Thermoplastic Rubber

**Polymeric Binder and
Polymeric Carrier From:**

G. Aqueous Polymeric-Based Emulsion
F. Solvent Polymeric-Based Emulsion

II. Response to the Election Requirement

In response to the Requirement for Election, Applicant provisionally elects the following species under 35 U.S.C. § 121 for prosecution on the merits:

Polymeric Binder: Thermoplastic Polymer

Polymeric Carrier: Water


Polymeric Binder and Polymeric Carrier: Aqueous Polymeric-Based Emulsion

Applicant reserves the right to prosecute the non-elected species in a divisional application or in the current application upon allowance of generic claim.

In the event that there is any fee due, please charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 50-1855. If there is any extension of time required not already petitioned for, such extension is hereby petitioned for. If the Examiner has any questions regarding this Application or this Response, the Examiner is cordially invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number below.

Respectfully submitted,

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